

## Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 AMMAN 01697 011550Z

43 S

ACTION SS-30

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 /031 W  
----- 039495

O 011545Z MAR 74

FM AMEMBASSY AMMAN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1016

S E C R E T AMMAN 1697

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAID, OVIP, JO, US (CPHASSAN)

SUBJECT: HASSAN VISIT, JORDAN DEVELOPMENT

REF: A. AMMAN 1210

B. STATE 059880

1. IN LONG DISCUSSION THIS MORNING WITH CROWN PRINCE  
CENTERING ON HIS VISIT, I PRESENTED ORALLY POINTS  
PROVIDED BY DEPARTMENT IN REFTEL (B).

2. HE REMAINS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT HIS VISIT AND WOULD  
LIKE TO FOCUS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE IN THE COURSE OF IT  
ON CONTINUING TO ATTRACT DONOR INTEREST AND FOREIGN TALENT  
TO AID IN JORDAN'S DEVELOPMENT. HE REMAINS IMPELLED  
BY GENERAL CONCEPT THAT WITHIN A YEAR AND A HALF UNRWA  
WILL PROBABLY DISAPPEAR FROM THE SCENE, AND INDEED IT  
SHOULD. BY THAT TIME JORDAN SHOULD HAVE WELL UNDERWAY  
ONGOING PROJECTS WHICH WILL REPRESENT A SIGNIFICANT  
START ON EAST BANK DEVELOPMENT, THE FUTURE POTENTIAL OF  
WHICH WILL SERVE TO ABSORB THE TIME AND ENERGY OF THE  
REFUGEES. HE THEREFORE CONTINUES TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT  
ANY LAGS IN THE PROCESS OF FUTURE PLANNING FOR THIS DEVELOP-  
MENT AND IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS.

2. WITH SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO THE TIMING OF HIS VISIT,  
WE DISCUSSED THE FACT THAT, WHILE I HAD NO SPECIFIC DATES  
TO GIVE HIM, IT WAS LIKELY THE SECRETARY WILL BE

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 AMMAN 01697 011550Z

IN JORDAN WHEN HASSAN WAS IN WASHINGTON AND INDEED THE

PROSPECT WAS FOR NEARLY THE WHOLE PERIOD OF HASSAN'S VISIT (APRIL 25 - MAY 4) THERE GOOD POSSIBILITY THAT SECRETARY WOULD BE IN MIDDLE EAST. HASSAN MOST ANXIOUS TO CONTINUE HIS INITIAL CONTACTS WITH SECRETARY AND SOLICIT HIS SUPPORT FOR GENERAL IDEAS OF DEVELOPMENT IN JORDAN. AS A RESULT, HE IS NOW MOVED TO PUT OFF A US VISIT UNTIL MID-MAY. HE MUST BE IN TOKYO MAY 6-12 AND COULD COME TO UNITED STATES ABOUT MAY 13. I TOLD HIM I WOULD ENDEAVOR TO CHECK SECRETARY'S TENTATIVE PLANS.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER ABOVE TRAVEL ASSUMPTIONS FOR SECRETARY ARE CORRECT.

4. I BRIEFED HASSAN ON SOBER'S NEW ROLE. HE IS MOST ANXIOUS TO HAVE SOBER OUT HERE FOR A FEW DAYS PRIOR TO WASHINGTON VISIT. HE WANTS SOBER TO SIT DOWN WITH HIS OWN PLANNERS, DISCUSS PROGRAM AND PROVIDE SUGGESTIONS AS TO HASSAN'S APPROACH TO HIS VISIT IN THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING GENERAL STRATEGY CROWN PRINCE MIGHT FOLLOW IN PRESERVING AND ENHANCING DONOR INTEREST IN JORDAN. HE TOUCHED AT SAME TIME ON POSSIBILITY OF ENTICING JOHN LOWDEN, 72-YEAR OLD RETIRED SHELL OIL EXECUTIVE WHO WAS INTRODUCED TO HASSAN BY DAVID ROCKEFELLER, TO COME TO JORDAN AT SAME TIME AS SOBER SO THAT THE TWO COULD MEET AND BE EXPOSED TO PLANS AND PROGRAM TOGETHER. COMMENT: LOWDEN HAS THUS FAR PRETTY MUCH INSISTED THAT HASSAN SEE HIM IN LONDON AND IT DOES NOT SEEM LIKELY CAN BE PERSUADED TO COME TO JORDAN OR COULD GIVE JORDAN ANYTHING LIKE THE ACTIVE SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE WHICH HASSAN EXPECTS. BE GRATEFUL FOR ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS DEPARTMENT MAY HAVE ON THIS QUESTION, AND COMMENT.

5. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH SOBER IN WASHINGTON, OUR GENERAL AGREED APPROACH WAS TO THINK ABOUT HIS VISITING AREA AFTER HASSAN'S VISIT. IN VIEW OF VERY LIKELY POSTPONEMENT IN CROWN PRINCE'S SCHEDULE, COULD SOBER AND DRAPER COME TO JORDAN WEEK APRIL 25 FOR TWO OR THREE DAYS, HOPEFULLY TO PRECEDE SECRETARY'S VISIT. HASSAN COUNTS GREATLY ON OUR ACTIVE SUPPORT AND FOLLOW-THROUGH HERE. WOULD BE VALUABLE OPPORTUNITY FOR SOBER TO GET ACQUAINTED AND SEE SITUATION ON

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 03 AMMAN 01697 011550Z

THE GROUND. I RECOMMEND STRONGLY FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION OF THIS OR SIMILAR ALTERNATIVE WHICH CAN BE WORKED OUT IN SOBER'S SCHEDULE.  
PICKERING

SECRET

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** Z  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, REFUGEES, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, VISITS, DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 01 MAR 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Decaption Note:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974AMMAN01697  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D740071-0918  
**From:** AMMAN  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19740376/aaaacsj.tel  
**Line Count:** 111  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION SS  
**Original Classification:** SECRET  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** EXDIS  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** SECRET  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** EXDIS  
**Reference:** A. AMMAN 1210  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 20 JUN 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <20 JUN 2002 by rowelle0>; APPROVED <24 JAN 2003 by GolinoFR>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** HASSAN VISIT, JORDAN DEVELOPMENT  
**TAGS:** EAID, OVIP, JO, US, (HASSAN, PRINCE)  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005